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SUBJECT: TURKISH BASE NEGOTIATIONS: REVISED GOT ARTICLE ON
MANNING AND TRAINING

REF: ANKARA 9348 DTG 231203Z DEC 75

1. SUMMARY: AT JANUARY 5 WORKING GROUP SESSION, GOT
TABLED NEW LANGUAGE FOR ARTICLE VI ON MANNING AND TRAIN-
ING WHICH ATTEMPTS TO MEET SOME OF U.S. TEAM'S
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OBJECTIONS TO PREVIOUS TURKISH DRAFT. NEW TURKISH
DRAFT AND U.S. TEAM COMMENTS FOLLOW. END SUMMARY.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

ARTICLE VI

1. THE AGREED TECHNICAL OPERATIONS OF THE AUTHORIZED INSTALLATIONS AND RELATED TECHNICAL, LOGISTICS, SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES SHALL BE CARRIED OUT JOINTLY BY TURKISH AND UNITED STATES PERSONNEL. FOR THIS PURPOSE, TURKISH PERSONNEL SHALL BE ASSIGNED BY THE TURKISH AUTHORITIES, UP TO THE LEVEL OF FIFTY PERCENT OF THE TOTAL STRENGTH AT EACH INSTALLATION.

2. THE MANNING TABLES OF THE INSTALLATIONS AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF MANPOWER SPACES FOR ASSIGNMENT BY EACH PARTY SHALL BE DETERMINED JOINTLY, BY TAKING INTO ACCOUNT TO THE POSSIBLE EXTENT STANDARD DOCUMENTS SPECIFYING CURRENT TECHNICAL SPECIALTY AND SKILL REQUIREMENTS.

TURKISH PERSONNEL ABOVE 50 PERCENT OF SUCH MANNING REQUIREMENTS MAY BE ASSIGNED TO SPECIFIC INSTALLATIONS BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

3. IN THE EVENT THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF TURKEY ELECTS NOT TO MAN FULLY AT THE 50 PERCENT LEVEL MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS ARTICLE, UNITED STATES PERSONNEL SHALL BE ASSIGNED BY THE APPROPRIATE UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES IN ORDER TO FILL ANY VACANCIES THUS CREATED, WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE TURKISH BASIC RIGHT OF PARTICIPATION. ANY COMTEMPLATED SUBSEQUENT CHANGE IN MANNING BY TURKISH PRSONNEL SHALL BE COMMUNICATED TO THE APPROPRIATE UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE.

4. IN FURTHERANC OF THE TURKISH PARTICIPATION OBJECTIVE REFERRED TO IN THIS ARTICLE, NEEDED TRAINING RELATED TO THE TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES OF THE INSTALLATIONS, INCLUDING TRAINING IN THE UNITED STATES, SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, TO TURKISH PERSONNEL ASSIGNED OR TO BE ASSIGNED TO THE INSTALLATIONS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH MUTUALLY AGREED PROGRAMS. THE TRAINING COSTS SHALL BE BORNE BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

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END TEXT.

3. ASULA INDICATED THAT CHANGES IN PARAGRAPHS 2 AND 4 OF THEIR EARLIER DRAFT WERE DESIGNED TO MEET SOME OF U.S. TEAM'S OBJECTIONS TO LANGUAGE TABLED AT DECEMBER 22 SESSION (ANKARA 9348).

A. U.S. TEAM POINTED OUT THAT "MANNING TABLES" MENTIONED IN PARA 2 OF TURKISH DRAFT WERE IDENTICAL TO "STANDARD DOCUMENTS" MENTIONED IN SAME PARAGRAPH AND STRESSED THAT USG DID NOT WISH TO UNDERTAKE ENGAGEMENT TO NEGOTIATE NEW MANNING TABLES FOR ALL INSTALLATIONS. ASULA THEN RELUCTANTLY AGREED TO CONSIDER DROPPING THE CLAUSE "THE MANNING TABLES OF THE INSTALLATIONS AND" FROM SECOND PARAGRAPH OF HIS DRAFT. HE ASKED,

HOWEVER, THAT THE U.S. TEAM NOT ASK HIM TO
"SURRENDER COMPLETELY" AND NOTED THAT HE COULD NOT
ACCEPT LANGUAGE WHICH MADE IT APPEAR THAT TURKISH
PERSONNEL WOULD BE ASSIGNED TO THE INSTALLATIONS
SOLELY ACCORDING TO STANDARD U.S. DOCUMENTS.

B. U.S. TEAM WELCOMED TURKS DRIPPING "ANY" AS
MODIFIER TO TRAINING WHICH U.S. IS TO PROVIDE BUT NOTED
THAT MODIFIER "NEEDED" WHICH REPLACED "REQUIRED"
CONTINUED TO SUGGEST THAT TURKS MIGHT UNILATERALLY
ESTABLISH TRAINING LEVELS. ASULA ARGUED THAT TRAINING
WAS SPECIFICALLY LIMITED TO TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES AND
WAS TIED TO MANNING OBJECTIVES WHICH WOULD BE MUTUALLY
AGREED. U.S. TEAM NOTED AGAIN THAT ANY SENTENCE
SPECIFYING COSTS TO BE BORNE BY USG WOULD HAVE TO
INCLUDE PHRASE "SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS" OR
SIMILAR CAVEAT. ASULA RESPONDED THAT TURKS MIGHT
ACCEPT CROSS REFERENCE HERE TO ARTICLE ON ASSISTANCE
BUT WISHED FIRST TO SEE FINAL VERSION OF LATTER.

4. REQUEST WASHINGTON'S VIEWS ON ACCEPTABILITY OF NEW TURKISH DRAFT
ON MANNING AND TRAINING IF:

A. THE FIRST SENTENCE OF PARAGRAPH ONE IS AMENDED TO READ, "THE
AGREED TECHNICAL OPERATIONS AND RELATED MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND
ACTIVITIES OF THE AUTHORIZED INSTALLATIONS SHALL BE CARRIED OUT
JOINTLY BY TURKISH AND UNITED STATES PERSONNEL."

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B. THE WORDS "THE MANNING TABLES OF THE INSTALLATIONS AND" ARE
OMITTED FROM THE FIRST SENTENCE OF THE SECOND PARAGRAPH; AND

C. AN APPROPRIATE CAVEAT REGARDING FUNDING IS INCLUDED.
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